

**RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER**

FEB 12 2004

OFFICIAL**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE****In re Application of:****Applicant:** Parker Small et al.**Examiner:** Ralph Gitomer**Serial No.:** 10/015,525**Art Unit:** 1651**Filed:** December 13, 2001**For:** Rapid Diagnostic Method for Distinguishing
Allergies and Infections and Nasal Secretion Collection Unit

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

In response to the office action dated October 16, 2004, Applicants provide the following amendments and remarks:

In the Specification

Delete the paragraph on page 26, lines 16-31 and replace with the following paragraph:

In addition, this embodiment of the invention shows a marginal aspect of the collection device as a sealable edge, such that after the nasal secretions have been blown into the collection device, the nasal secretions may be isolated from contact with external surfaces. The seal may be created by any of a number of means known in the art, such as by means of a "zip-lock" "ZIPLOC™" means, wherein a first edge of the sealable margin comprises a strip of material which fits into a groove on the second edge of the sealable margin, thereby sealing the contents within the collection device. Alternatively, a fold-over sealing flap may seal the marginal edge of the collection device through which the patient inserts their nose to deposit nasal secretions. The fold-over flap may itself have a pressure-sensitive adhesive strip disposed thereon, such that upon folding the flap over the edge into which the nose is placed and then removed, after deposit of nasal secretion, the flap may be made to seal on an external surface adjacent the opening. Alternate means for sealing the collection device may be employed without departing from the

BEUSSE BROWNLEE WOLTER MORA & MAIRE, P.A.

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

FEB 12 2004

OFFICIAL

FACSIMILE TRANSMITTAL SHEET

TO:	Commissioner of Patents	FROM:	Timothy H. Van Dyke
COMPANY:	U. S. Patent and Trademark Office	DATE:	February 12, 2004
FAX NUMBER:	703-872-9306	TOTAL NO OF PAGES INCLUDING COVER:	11
PHONE NUMBER:		DIRECT NUMBER:	
YOUR REFERENCE NUMBER:		SENDER'S REFERENCE NUMBER:	10457-014
RE:			

☐ URGENT ☐ FOR REVIEW ☐ PLEASE COMMENT ☐ PLEASE REPLY ☐ PLEASE RECYCLE

THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS FACSIMILE MESSAGE IS INTENDED ONLY FOR THE PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL USE OF THE DESIGNATED RECIPIENTS NAMED ABOVE. THIS MESSAGE MAY BE AN ATTORNEY-CLIENT COMMUNICATION, AND AS SUCH IS PRIVILEGED AND CONFIDENTIAL. IF THE READER OF THIS MESSAGE IS NOT THE INTENDED RECIPIENT OR AN AGENT RESPONSIBLE FOR DELIVERING IT TO THE INTENDED RECIPIENT, YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT YOU HAVE RECEIVED THIS DOCUMENT IN ERROR, AND THAT ANY REVIEW, DISSEMINATION, DISTRIBUTION, OR COPYING OF THIS MESSAGE IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED. IF YOU HAVE RECEIVED THIS COMMUNICATION IN ERROR, PLEASE NOTIFY US IMMEDIATELY BY TELEPHONE AND DESTROY THE ORIGINAL MESSAGE. THANK YOU.

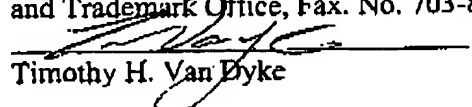
NOTES/COMMENTS:

This Certificate of Facsimile Transmission is attached to the following documents in re
S.N. 10/015,525

Amendment Under 37 CFR 1.111 8 pgs.
Petition and Fee for One-Month Extension of Time.
PTO Form 2038 Credit Card Authorization Form

Certificate of Transmission

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office, Fax. No. 703-872-9306 on Feb. 12, 2004.


Timothy H. Van Dyke

300 NORTH ORANGE AVENUE, SUITE 2500, ORLANDO, FLORIDA 32801
TELEPHONE: (407) 926-7700 FAX 407-926-7720